

# **PHIN: Fostering Partnerships for a Health-e Tomorrow**

**September 25-27, 2006  
Hyatt Regency  
Hotel  
Atlanta, Georgia USA**



# Call For Abstracts

***The Public Health Information Network is a critical component of improved public health capacity in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.***

*With this in mind, we are pleased to invite abstracts for our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Health Information Network Conference at the Atlanta Hyatt Regency in Atlanta, GA.*

*Abstract submission is a competitive process, that encourages both cross-sector and cross-jurisdictional abstract submittals--including abstracts that show linkage to the clinical and/or emergency response sectors.*

*While presentations showcasing a particular project may be of some interest, those of greatest value will guide us towards standards-based integrated systems.*

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## Draft Meeting Program Dates (**Please note:** Hours subject to change)

### Sunday September 24, 2006

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Special Interest/Partner Meetings
5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Meet and Greet Social--Grand Hall
5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Registration

### Monday September 25, 2006

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration
7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Opening Plenary Session and Keynote Address
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Break
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Break
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Reception

### Tuesday September 26, 2006

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration
7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Networking Lunch
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Poster Session
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions

### Wednesday September 27, 2006

7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Poster Session
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Closing Plenary

### Thursday September 28, 2006

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Special Interest/Partner Meetings
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## Abstract Categories

*Please choose from one of the following categories. Types of topics for each category are listed below the category.*

**a. Detection, Surveillance and Monitoring**

1. Early Event Detection
2. Surveillance, Monitoring and Health Tracking
3. Situational Awareness
4. Child Health Information Systems
5. Environmental Public Health Tracking

**b. Analysis, Visualization and Reporting**

1. Analysis, Visualization and Reporting
2. Geographic Information Systems
3. Social Network Analysis

**c. Partnerships, Collaboration and Communication**

1. Partner Networks
2. Communication and Alerting
3. Collaboration Services
4. Knowledge Management

**d. Outbreak Management and Countermeasure Response Administration**

1. Outbreak Management
2. Countermeasure Response Administration
3. Adverse Events Tracking

**e. Architecture, Infrastructure and Interoperability**

1. Design Standards
2. Directory Services
3. Data Exchange
4. Vocabulary
5. Data Modeling
6. Security
7. Architecture

**f. Management and Policy**

1. Information Systems Project Management
2. Informatics Workforce Development
3. Strategies and Distance Learning
4. Funding Strategies (Capital Planning)
5. Governance
6. PHIN Certification
7. Certification and Accreditation

**g. Integrated Public Health Information Systems**

1. Laboratory Information Management Systems
2. Veterinary Diagnostic Registries
3. Chronic Disease Registries
4. Vaccine Registries
5. Electronic health Records
6. Personal health Records
7. Environmental Health Data Systems
8. National Health Information Network
9. Regional Health Information Organizations

**h. Disaster Planning, Response and Recovery**

1. Natural Disaster Efforts/ Activity
2. Bioterrorism Planning, Response and Recovery
3. Continuity of Operations
4. Incident Management

## Abstract Submission Rules & Guidelines

1. All abstracts must be submitted by a public health, emergency response, academic, healthcare or public service organization. Commercial entities are welcome to collaborate with these organizations but abstracts cannot be submitted by a commercial organization.
2. The Planning Committee reserves the right to alter or arrange the presentation format to best meet the conference goals (e.g., to combine several didactic presentations into a short panel presentation with a commentator and an interactive session focused more on group dialogue).
3. All abstracts **MUST** follow these guidelines to be considered for acceptance (please see the following online abstract submittal process for detailed instructions):
  - one thousand words or less
  - Pertain to the Public Health Information Network (submitters will be asked to provide a description of how the abstract relates to PHIN)
  - Include the following discussion points (to be presented as part of all submitted abstracts):
    - How does the activity/project described meet or plan to meet PHIN compliance?
    - Are there specific industry standards or capabilities pertaining to your topic area that contribute to PHIN's advancement?
4. Each abstract submitted must have a single point of contact identified that includes e-mail address, phone number and fax number.
5. Abstract submitters **will be notified of decision by July 7, 2006 via e-mail**. Decisions are final.
6. **Important for Submitters:** Please e-mail any contact information changes to [PHIN2006@cdc.gov](mailto:PHIN2006@cdc.gov).
7. Submitters whose presentations are accepted will be required to submit final oral and poster presentations preferably in PowerPoint via e-mail by July 30, 2006 for posting to the web. For computer demos, screen shots with accompanying text descriptions are recommended.
8. Any abstracts left "incomplete" in the abstract submission system will not be included in the review.
9. Abstracts may be rejected for the following reasons:
  - Duplicate abstract (abstract contains overlap with contents of another abstract)
  - Abstract is not appropriate for the PHIN meeting
  - Abstract is promotional in nature
  - Abstract is poorly written
  - Abstracts do not adequately address discussion points listed in #3.
10. Presentations may be videotaped for viewing via the web either live and/or as archived video stream.
11. Participant registration will be available online. Please check the PHIN website for updates: [www.cdc.gov/phin](http://www.cdc.gov/phin).
12. Questions? E-mail us at [phin2006@cdc.gov](mailto:phin2006@cdc.gov).



## Online Abstract Submission Process

All abstract submissions -- including abstract revisions -- will be accepted via the PHIN Web site between **April 17, 2006** and **midnight on May 30, 2006**. For your submittals, please use Internet Explorer 5.5 or above, which can be downloaded from the online submission site. For more information regarding browser or software requirements contact support at 1 800 642-5115.

**To Log In** Please go to the PHIN web site at [www.cdc.gov/phin](http://www.cdc.gov/phin) and select the **PHIN 2006 Abstract Submission** link.

**Account Sign-up** - New users please provide the necessary contact information. You will be asked to select a user ID and password. **\*\*\*You will receive an email verifying your username and password; please save this e-mail for future reference.**

### Submit an Abstract:

1. **Abstract Title:** Please enter the title of your abstract.
2. **Affirmation Statement:** In addition to providing the abstract title, an affirmation statement will be requested. Affirmations are statements that must be answered true for the submission to be considered for review.
3. **Presentation Format:** Choose from Oral Presentation, Poster Presentation or Computer Demo.
4. **Author Box:** You can enter multiple authors, but must designate the presenting author.
5. **Biography Box:** Presenting authors please provide an approximately 250-word (1500 character) or less biography including relevant background information and major affiliations.
6. **Abstract Category Choice:** Choose the best-fit category for each abstract you submit.
7. **Abstract Topic Choice:** Choose the best-fit topic for each abstract you submit.
8. **Learning Objectives Box and Relevance to PHIN box:** Please include a list of learning objectives for the audience (you must enter 2-5 learning objectives of up to 150 characters in length). Learning objectives should include major concepts on which the author would like the audience to focus. The **Relevance to PHIN box** has a size limit of only 750 characters, requiring a succinct, compelling description of how the abstract relates to PHIN.
9. **Keyword Choices:** Enter a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5 keywords.
10. **Abstract Box:** Limit all abstracts to approximately 1000 words (7000 characters) or less (the system will truncate submissions to the character limit, so careful editing is encouraged). Abstracts can either be cut and pasted into the abstract text box. Please note:
  - Special characters and symbols are converted into html format, which allows the system to control the proper appearance of the font on all outputs.
  - Graphs and charts will not be accepted as part of the abstract.



## Abstract Revision Process

If you wish to make changes to your abstract, you can do so by returning to the submission tool and clicking on the submitted abstract title, then proceed through each screen to the confirmation. Revisions can be made through the abstract submission deadline on midnight May 30, 2006.

## Presentation Types

**Oral presentation abstracts** should fit within the abstract categories listed and address how the presenter(s) meet -- or are working to meet -- PHIN standards and specifications. Authors of accepted abstracts will have 20 minutes to present their work with 10 minutes for questions and discussion.

**Poster presentations** are the preferred format for presenting preliminary study results, illustrating and discussing innovative systems and services, and describing experimental or in-practice projects and programs or other dimensions of public health informatics. Each accepted poster is displayed during one of the 60-minute poster sessions at the conference. At least one author must be present at the poster session. Electrical power is not typically supplied to individual posters at the time of presentation. Some authors choose to augment their presentations with short demonstrations offered on personal laptop computers under battery power.

**Computer demonstration as part of presentation** most often illustrate one or more aspects of a leading-edge system that is in use, under development, or at a testing or prototype stage. Each demonstration will have 30 minutes, with an additional 10 minutes for audience questions and comments.

## Sessions

Sessions will comprise 60-to-90-minute concurrent oral and poster presentations, breakout groups, and computer demonstrations. Each session will have a moderator.

## Special Interest/Partner Meetings

A meeting space for special interest groups and partner meetings will be available, on a first-come-first-served basis on the Sunday before and the Thursday after the conference. Please e-mail us at [phin2006@cdc.gov](mailto:phin2006@cdc.gov) if you would like to request space. Please provide the name of your meeting, number of attendees, and your contact information, including an e-mail address.

## Exhibitor & Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorship and exhibitors information is posted on the PHIN website  
[www.cdc.gov/phin](http://www.cdc.gov/phin).

## Registration

Information on pre-registration, hotel accommodations and travel arrangements is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/phin/>.

## Hotel Information

The conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta. All reservations must be made individually through the hotel's reservation department by calling 1-800-233-1234. Please refer to the 2006 PHIN conference to guarantee the group rate of \$115.00 when you make the reservation.

The Hyatt Regency Atlanta is centrally located on Peachtree Street in the heart of downtown Atlanta. The hotel is attached to the Peachtree Center, with restaurants and shopping, and near cultural activities including Georgia World Congress Center, Philips Arena, Underground Atlanta, Centennial Olympic Park, Buckhead, Georgia Aquarium and historic attractions. The hotel is conveniently attached to the MARTA transit system, which provides transportation throughout the city as well as to and from Hartsfield Airport.



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